

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN

AND OTHER

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

GRANTHAM, N. H.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1912



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Selectmen's Report

For the Year Ending February 15, 1912.

INVENTORY, APRIL 1, 1911.

Real estate, resident	\$63,825	
" non-resident	97,950	\$161,775
Polls, 89		8,900
Horses, 96		8,585
Oxen, 12		1,085
Cows, 120		3,495
Other neat stock, 21		510
Sheep, 215		918
Hogs, 7		72
Vehicles, 1		400
Stock in banks		700
Money on hand		1,500
Stock in trade		7,850
Machinery		950
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	Total,	\$196,740

TAXES ASSESSED

State	\$385 00
County	458 20
Town charges	600 00
Highway	500 00
School money (by law)	412 50
School money (additional)	110 00
Library	50 00

State road		\$800 00
Overlay		146 97

	Total taxes assessed,	\$3,462 67
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This amount gave a rate of \$1.76 on \$100.00 and was committed to Oscar D. Loiselle for collection.

ASSETS

Due from J. M. Hastings on 1904 book		\$10 81
" " 1905 " 5 10		
" " 1906 " 7 44		
" " 1907 " 23 89		
" " 1908 " 19 81		
" " 1909 " 59 34		
" " 1910 " 46 57		

Due from State Highway Department		\$172 96
Cash in hands of Treasurer		\$214 41

	Total assets,	\$1,392 59

		\$1,779 96

LIABILITIES

School fund		\$623 00
Dunbar Hill cemetery, Hayward fund		400 00
East Grantham " Wm. Howe \$ 50		
" " Jonathan Brown 150		
" " L. F. Shaw 50		\$250 00
" " unexpended interest on above		6 56
Due school district		88 81

Total liabilities		\$1,368 37
Excess assets over liabilities		\$411 59

ABATEMENTS

Hastings, Mary A. estate, 1910 book	\$3 13
Hastings, B. E. 1901 book overtax	1 90
Hastings, Mary A. estate, 1911 book	2 90
Merrill, John H. 1911 book	3 96
Emerson, Warren 1911 book overtax	17 60
Buswell, Mary A. 1911 book overtax	8 80

Total,	\$38 29

SCHOOL MONEY

Required by law	\$412 50
Literary fund	35 64
Dog license, 1910	48 00
Interest on school funds	18 69
School officers	35 00
School supplies	65 00
Flags	10 00
Cash from last year	165 74

Total school money	\$790 57
Total orders drawn	701 76

Balance due school district	\$88 81
Due on leases	\$27 00
Due on dog licenses	\$47 26

BOUNTY ON HEDGEHOGS

Paid bounty on 437 hedgehogs	\$87 40
Received from state	\$87 40

MEMORANDUM OF TOWN PROPERTY

Library building, road machine, hearse, hearse and road machine house, 2 snow rollers, road roller, road plow, scraper, gravel screen, 3 dumping boards, 2 rakes, 2 hoes, 2 stone pickers, 19 picks, 5 bog hoes, 47 shovels, 2 striking hammers, 2 tamping irons, tool chest, 800 cement, 400ft. lumber.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. HURD,

D. D. THORNTON,

E. H. IDE,

Selectmen of Grantham.

Treasurer's Report

Dr.

Rec'd of former treasurer		\$1,459 11
Borrowed of Perley Walker		500 00
Borrowed of D. D. Thornton		700 00
From State for highway		1,820 75
" " railroad tax		5 20
" " savings bank tax		119 08
" " literary fund		35 64
Sullivan County, pauper bill		109 55
Town Clerk, dog licenses		51 66
Town of Croydon on account perambulation		1 25
J. B. Green, lumber		3 32
J. B. Green, dynamite		3 00
R. E. Howard, paper		50
Oscar D. Loiselle, collector 1911		3,429 41
James M. Hastings, " 1910		220 89
" " 1909		44 86
" " 1908		2 24
" " 1907		5 31
" " 1906		5 14
" " 1905		2 38
" " 1904		1 80
Ira B. Walker, cement		60
F. C. Reed, "		60
Reney Bros., "		6 00

	Total,	\$8,528 29

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Paid State tax		\$385 00
County tax		458 20
School treasurer		701 76
J. B. Green, for town highways		661 29
H. W. Hurd, for state highway		2,390 10

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Paid Dr. A. J. Nugent, fumigating	\$7 50
J. B. Green, 1½ cords wood for library	4 88
John Hadlock, road machine repairs	8 50
Silsby & Johnson Co., hardware	11 43
Lovells' Drug Store, tax book and blanks	3 05
F. O. Chellis, council fee	7 00
F. P. Rowell, shingles	17 00
D. H. Currier, blacksmith bill	7 58
Dr. F. P. Fisher, return of birth or death	25
F. G. Whitney, goods for highway	42 57
W. H. Miller, going with surveyor	1 00
J. M. Howe, printing 1910 reports	21 00
J. M. Howe, postage, return of births and deaths	2 85
J. M. Howe, cleaning library	1 50
H. F. Kimball, sawing wood	75
J. M. Howe, licensing 22 dogs	4 40
Carrie M. Buswell, library tax	50 00
H. W. Hurd, 3 days perambulating and surveying	7 50
H. W. Hurd, two trips to Concord	9 35
H. W. Hurd, keeping tramps	9 00
Henry Howard, work on wood	3 00
W. H. Howard, perambulating and setting post	2 00
W. H. Howard, postage and stationery	70
D. D. Thornton, trip to Concord	5 00
Arthur Purington, damage to wagon	2 00
D. D. Thornton, surveying	2 50
Loyal Barton, surveying	4 00
H. W. Hurd, telephoning	1 51
H. W. Hurd, postage	1 23
H. W. Hurd, cartage stone post	50
H. W. Hurd, express and freight paid and cartage	2 20
Dr. A. J. Nugent, expense as member Board of Health	75
Dr. A. J. Nugent, return of births and death	75
E. H. Ide, perambulating town lines	5 00

E. H. Ide, trip to Concord	\$5 00
Ira B. Walker, oil, etc. for library	1 24
Ira B. Walker, goods for highway	5 45
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Total,	\$259 94

IRON BRIDGE

Paid The United Construction Co.	\$330 00
Perley Rogers work	10 50
Roy Smith	8 75
Leavitt Barton	9 00
Ray Hastings	12 00
Ralph Barton	15 75
G. N. Douglas	14 91
Van W. Hastings	29 50
E. E. Spiller	10 00
G. H. Daniels	1 55
W. S. Heath	1 75
J. B. Green	58 85
W. O. Lewis	19 82
Sidney Ide	7 00
Henry Cooper	12 00
H. W. Hurd	31 44
F. B. Pillsbury, Jr.	24 00
E. P. Sherman, freight	6 60
Silsby & Johnson Co., hardware	4 18
F. P. Rowell, cement	77 84
Draper Co., lumber	34 80
Green Pillsbury, gravel	75
Leston N. Horton, keeping light, etc.	2 20
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Total,	\$723 19

NOTES AND FUNDS

Paid Green Pillsbury, mowing East Grantham cemetery two years	\$8 00
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D. D. Thornton, note in full	\$708 82
Perley Walker, note in full	511 75
Perley Walker, interest on Hayward fund for 1911	12 00
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Total,	\$1,240 57

SUPPORT OF POOR, COUNTY CHARGES

MAY TERM, DOWNING FAMILY

Paid Dr. A. J. Nugent, medical attendance	\$12 00
H. C. Ide, goods	3 78
Reney Bros., wood	1 33
C. O. Barton, drawing wood	1 00
H. W. Hurd, expense	4 85
F. G. Whitney, goods	30 59
E. R. Heath, house rent	4 00
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	\$57 55

NOVEMBER TERM

Paid Dr. A. J. Nugent, medical attendance in N. C. Thornton's family	52 00
Total,	\$109 55

TOWN OFFICERS

Paid J. M. Howe, town clerk	\$10 00
J. M. Howe, librarian	15 60
D. H. Currier, police	8 00
J. H. Dunbar, supervisor	2 50
Van W. Hastings, supervisor	2 50
W. H. Howard, supervisor	2 50
Oscar D. Loiselle, collector	50 00
H. W. Hurd, selectman	30 00
D. D. Thornton, selectman	25 00
E. H. Ide, selectman	20 00
H. W. Hurd, overseer poor	10 05

W. H. Howard, school treasurer	\$ 5 00
W. H. Howard, town treasurer	20 00

Total,	\$202 10

USE OF WATERING TROUGHS

Paid W. H. Miller	\$2 50
W. O. Lewis	1 50

Total,	\$4 00

RECAPITULATION

Whole amount received	\$8,528 29
Paid County tax	458 20
State tax	385 00
School treasurer	701 76
Road agent, for town highway	661 29
H. W. Hurd, for state highway	2,390 10
Miscellaneous bills	259 94
Support of poor	109 55
Watering troughs	4 00
Notes and funds	1,240 57
Town officers	202 10
Iron bridge	723 19

Total,	7,135 70
Balance in hands of Treasurer	\$1,392 59

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. HOWARD, Treasurer.

Road Agent's Report

TOWN ROAD

LABOR

Jas. B. Green,	labor	\$261 87
Sidney Ide		25 38
Isaac Reney		28 87
G. W. Flanders		27 13
Sam Geno		33 00
Walter Heath		32 38
Perley Rogers		30 63
A. N. Rogers		38 50
Van Hastings		18 38
Frank Stevens		10 50
Warren Emerson		4 50
W. H. Howard, labor and plank		2 50
D. D. Thornton, plank and poles		25 00
Draper Co., plank		36 29
Reney Bros., "		16 76
Reney Bros., dirt		1 25

\$592 44

SNOW BILLS

Jas. B. Green	\$15 75
B. E. Hastings	15 80
F. E. Hastings	10 30
Francis Pillsbury	7 80
E. P. Sherman	6 80
Zenas Pillsbury	6 80
Wilfred Reney	4 60
Perley Walker	1 00

\$68 85

State Road

Expended by town for

Labor	\$2,094 15
Grade	96 15
Railing	108 34
Miscellaneous	91 46

Total bills paid by town	\$2,390 10
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Less amount too late to be allowed by State	9 48
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Total expenditures allowed by State	\$2,380 62
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Expended by State for survey and inspection	37 66
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Total expense	\$2,418 28
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JOINT FUND

State, balance 1910	\$103 41
apportionment 1911	1,755 00
	1,858 41
Town, balance 1910	\$ 17 23
proportion 1911	292 50
balance advanced	250 14
	559 87

Total funds	\$2,418 28
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Balance of \$800 appropriation in hands of town	247 88
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Due from State	214 41
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	\$462 29
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LABOR

Jas. B. Green	\$440 30
Francis B. Pillsbury	127 10
E. P. Sherman	126 66
Elwin Kimball	92 44

H. W. Hurd	72 00
Frank Hastings	70 66
Sam Geno	67 64
Van Hastings	62 02
G. N. Douglas	56 39
Walter S. Heath	54 50
B. E. Hastings	50 74
G. W. Flanders	50 55
Geo. Daniels	49 58
Sidney Ide	48 61
Arthur Lane	47 05
Leston Horton	43 00
Roy Smith	42 38
Jas. Colburn	41 22
Perley Rogers	36 74
Robert Crandlemere	35 19
John Colburn	35 11
Udo I. Currier	33 83
Zenas Pillsbury	33 25
Arthur Reney	32 89
A. N. Rogers	29 75
Frank Church	27 80
Chas. Bean	27 21
Fred Currier	25 47
Wilbur Thornton	25 28
Isaac Reney	22 17
George Hastings	21 19
H. H. Heath	20 41
Ray Hastings	19 91
Leavitt Barton	19 74
Guy Smith	17 91
Henry Osborn	17 55
Leslie Sanborn	14 82
Everett Estes	12 33
Herbert Thornton	10 11

Fred Osborn	8 55
Earl Heath	8 50
A. I. Barton	5 05
John Bean	4 50
J. H. Dunbar	2 72
Warren Howe	2 00
J. L. Spiller	1 33
 Total,	 \$2,094 15

GRADE

Francis Pillsbury, gravel, (1634 loads)	\$81 70
Chas. P. Howe, hardpan, (274)	13 70
W. O. Lewis, sand, (15 loads)	75
 Total,	 \$96 15

IRON RAILING

Silsby & Johnson Co., material and work	\$108 34
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MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

D. H. Currier, blacksmithing	\$27 15
J. C. Loverin, dynamite and fuse	15 50
H. W. Hurd, freight, cartage and misce. bill	27 28
E. E. Spiller, cement	2 50
F. P. Rowell, cement	3 00
F. G. Whitney, misce. bill	3 98
D. Whiting & Sons, balance of rent	10 10
Reney Bros., stakes	1 50
W. O. Lewis, cartage	50
 Miscellaneous bills	 \$91 46
Total expended by town	\$2,390 10

Auditor's Report

Grantham, N. H., February 22, 1912.

I hereby certify that on the above date I examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Overseer of the Poor, Town Treasurer, Road Agent, Agent for the State Road and School Treasurer, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FRANK G. WHITNEY, Auditor.

Librarian's Report

Books in Library Feb. 15, 1912	1,547
Books loaned during year	1,176
Average per week	22-61
Received for fines	\$ 28

JAMES M. HOWE, Librarian.

Treasurer's Report

Feb. 18, 1911	To cash on hand	\$17 91
Nov. 8,	Received from Town	50 00
"	Paid Hurd & Bronson	\$83 60
Nov. 17,	Received for one book	75
Dec. 11,	Paid Maud Dunbar for books	5 45
Dec. 14,	Paid Mr. Pitts, on account	2 00
Jan. 22, 1912	Paid Hurd & Bronson, for books	25 70
Feb. 17,	Received from town	50 00
Feb. 17,	Paid R. H. Hinkley Co., for books of knowledge	35 62
Feb. 17,	Paid for money order	15
Feb. 17,	Received from fines	28
Feb. 17,	By balance, cash on hand	\$16 42

CARRIE M. BUSWELL, Treasurer.

School Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Received of Town Treasurer	\$701 76
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EXPENDITURES

H. C. Thayer, teaching	\$ 77 00
Bernice M. Howe, teaching and board 18 4-5 weeks	159 80
Lottie C. Ide, teaching and board	80 00
Mildred F. Barton, teaching and board	126 00
H. C. Thayer, teaching balance winter term 1911	12 00
Katherine M. Ide, teaching drawing and music	18 50
Ella M. Hastings, boarding teacher	38 50
Mrs. E. A. Richardson, boarding teacher	7 00
Mrs. Francis Hudson, boarding teacher	1 00
Robert Kennedy, janitor work	50
J. B. Green, wood and sawing same	12 87
Bernice M. Howe, janitor work and cleaning school-house	4 50
W. O. Lewis, cleaning out vault	1 00
Mildred F. Barton, janitor work two terms	4 20
Ella Barton, cleaning school-house	3 00
H. F. Kimball, sawing 6½ cords wood	3 25
R. E. Howard, 1 cord wood	3 25
F. P. Rowell, shingle	20 50
C. P. Howe, janitor work and other work	12 00
Allen Walker, work on wood	1 50
Mary Loiselle, cleaning school-house	1 50
Clyde Loiselle, work, etc.	2 00
H. C. Ide, truant officer	4 00
H. W. Hurd, member school board	15 00
H. C. Ide, member school board	10 00
Laura A. Ide, member school board	5 00

Total,

\$623 87

FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Katherine M. Ide, for supplies	\$3 2
J. M. Howe, paper and order books	6 16
Edward E. Babb & Co., books	38 52
Silsby & Johnson Co., lock	20
Hurd & Bronson, pens and ink	2 10
Maud G. Dunbar, two maps	2 00
F. G. Whitney, supplies	3 74
H. W. Hurd, express paid	2 70
 Total,	 \$58 64

FOR REPAIRS

E. E. Spiller, shingling	\$16 25
J. B. Green, drawing shingle	3 00
 Total,	 \$19 25

RECAPITULATION

Whole amount received	\$701 76
For school purposes	623 87
For school supplies	58 64
For school-house repairs	19 25
 Whole amount paid out	 \$701 76

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. HOWARD, Treasurer.

Report of Board of Education

The problem of furnishing equal school priveleges for all pupils in a small country town like ours is becoming more and more difficult. A scattered population, long distances, and little used roads, combined with the fact that the average age of the pupils in school is growing, each year, less and less, are some of the obstacles to full attendance, especially during the winter season. This applies more particularly to the school at North Grantham. The financial report shows that we have paid for only twenty-eight weeks of school in this district, as against thirty-two weeks at the village; but the school year ends in July, and we hope to make a more even showing when our report goes to the State on that date.

Number of weeks, however, is not the only consideration in fixing the value of our schools. The teacher is the important factor, and this year we have depended largely on home talent. In Miss Bernice M. Howe at the village, and Mrs. Lottie Ide at North Grantham, the district has had the advantage of teachers well prepared for their work and with considerable previous experience. They have both given excellent satisfaction. On Mrs. Ide's resignation, Miss Mildred Barton was engaged to complete the school year. Miss Barton faced a rather difficult situation, but the board wish to commend her for conscientious work, a very orderly school, and an unusually good attendance.

Only one change worth noting has been made this year. In September Miss Katherine Ide was engaged as special teacher of music and drawing. Starting with pupils who had had no previous instruction in either subject, and confined to one recitation a week, it is too early yet to expect very striking results. On the principle that what is worth doing at all is worth doing well, we are planning for the coming year to increase the amount of work, and the material to work with, and to supplement the work of the spe-

cial teacher by additional work on the part of the regular teachers. We may not always be so fortunately situated as to have the services of a competent teacher at a normal expense.

As by law required, we advise the district that for the ensuing fiscal year there will be required for text-books and apparatus the sum of sixty dollars; and for scholars' supplies, fifteen dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY W. HURD,

For the Board of Education.

Agent's Report

Dunbar Hill Cemetery Fund

Received interest on fund	\$12 00
Paid 5 days' work	\$7 50
Paid for fertilizer	4 50
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\$12 00	
PERLEY WALKER, Agent.	

East Grantham Cemetery Fund

Balance reported last year	\$7 06
Interest due 1911	7 50
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Paid P. G. Pillsbury, mowing 2 years	\$8 00
Balance	6 56
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\$14 56	
PERLEY WALKER, Agent.	

Births

Registered in the town of Grantham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1911.

Date 1911.	Name of child (if any.)	Sex.	Living or Stillborn.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Mother.	Birthplace of Mother.	Fathers age	Mothers age
Jan. 9	.....	female	Living	Zena W. Pillsbury	Bernice Saunders	GRANTHAM	Laborer	Springfield	Lebanon	Lebanon	38	33
Apr. 13	.....	male ..	“	6 3	Bennie Aldrich		Mill Hand	Lishon	Easton	Easton	27	23
May 22	Linardo	male ..	“	3 3	Domenico Marro		Laborer	Italy	Italy	Italy	38	28
July 16	.....	male ..	Stillborn	3 1	Pasqualina Marro		Belt Maker	Grantham	Grantham	Grantham	33	23
Dec. 1	Charles Gardner	male ..	Living	1	Nellie Leavitt		Farmer	Coventry, Vt	Bloomington Ct	Bloomington Ct	38	33
					Harry C. Ide							

Marriages

Registered in the town of Grantham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1911.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Birthplace of each	Name of Parents, each.	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation, of person by whom Married	Name, Residence and official Station of person by whom Married	
									Age at marriage	Color of eyes	Color of hair	Sex
Mar. 4	Grantham	Edwin A. Rice.....	Grantham	40 Laborer	Northfield, Vt.	Judah Rice.....	Mach'port, Me	Laborer 2	Rev. Noble Fisk,	
		Amy Kidder	Enfield	37 Housekeeper	Norwich, Vt.	Susan Foster	" Housekeeper	" Farmer 2	Grantham.	
Oct. 3	Lebanon.	Perley A. Rogers	Springfield	20 Laborer	Antrim	Henry Slack	" Farmer	" Housekeeper	Rev. J. W. Barker,	
		Annie M. Stevens	Grantham	18 Housework	Enfield	Laura White	" Carpenter	" Carpenter	Deceased	Lebanon.
						Albert C. Rogers	" Carpenter	" Carpenter	Teamster	
						Jennie Bondell	" Teamster	" Teamster	Deceased	
						Frank Y. Stevens	" Teamster	" Teamster	Teamster	
						Katherine Cannon	" Teamster	" Teamster	Housewife	Rutland, Vt.

Deaths

Registered in the town of Grantham, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1911.

Date 1911.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth	Occupation, or Wife, Mrs. or Widowed Mrs. or Wife, Mrs. or Widowed Mrs.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Maiden Name of Mother.
			Years Monts. Days.	Years Monts. Days.							
Jan. 14	Grantham	George W. Dunbar.....	73	3	22	Grantham.....	M	w	Retired.....	Grafton.....	Ansley Dunbar.....
	New London	Rhoda M. Smith.....	87	6	19	Grafton.....	f	w	Housekeeper	Grafton.....	Jasper Spooner.....
Jan. 18	Concord	William Wallace.....	76	4	30	Lebanon.....	M	w	.....	.....	Patience Gove.....
May 25	Grantham	Emily M. Spiller.....	65	5	9	Grantham.....	M	w	.....	.....	.....
June 14	"	Nellie Jane Spooner.....	48	4		Grantham.....	f	M	Housewife	Grantham.....	Frances Howe.....
July 16	"	Infant.....		1		Grantham.....	M	M	.....	Vermont.....	Emily Hill.....
Sept. 11	"	Leona Fellows.....		8		Winsted, Ct.	f	M	.....	.....	Lucy Fifeild.....
Nov. 7	N. Hamp'n	Samuel G. Colby.....	91	7	7	Grantham.	M	w	Farmer.....	Lebanon.....	Neilie Leavitt.....
									Hanover.....	Hanover.....	Mildred A. Green.....
									Hopkinton	Hopkinton	Sally Straw.....
											Gilmian Colby.....

I hereby certify that the foregoing records are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JAMES M. HOWE, Town Clerk.

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